

### Snow Creek Christian Church

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August 2022

## Reflections

Last month was a good month. To start, we had our first homecoming in the last three years. About 85 people showed up to join together in worship. Mike Doyle and the Spiritualaires followed that up with a moving gospel performance. There was plenty of good food. Former preacher Jim Compton and his family were on hand to visit with us and guest preacher Bob Mooty provided us with an inspirational message. It was a good day and thanks to the many of you out there who had a hand in making it so.

That afternoon, we followed up homecoming with the first night of a weeklong Vacation Bible School for the youth in the area. Together with Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church, Jones Chapel Church of the Brethren, Trinity Baptist Church, and Covenant Community Church we were able to provide kids with a week of fun and faith formation in a way that we had not been able to do over the past three years. It was a good week and thanks to all those in the community who participated in that effort.

Also as part of homecoming, we were able to

take up around \$1,500 in order to help support the Price family whose infant son Caden is suffering from a liver condition that has caused him to spend his first few months of life in and out of hospitals and will likely require a liver transplant. That total combined with an earlier fundraiser and a contribution from the Doyle Love Fund amounted to nearly \$5,000 that the church was able to raise in about a month's time to assist the Price family during this stressful ordeal. It was a good month and thanks to all who contributed.

July was a busy month for Snow Creek Christian Church, but a good one. Amidst all of the hustle and bustle, it did not occur to me until recently that its end will also mark three years of service for me at the church. So I will end by saying that they have been a good three years. Thanks to all of you who have been a part of that. As we look ahead to August, let us remember most importantly to take a minute and give thanks to God for the good days, the good weeks, the good months, and the good years that have come our way.

God be with you. Scott

### **August Lectionary Readings**

Sermon topic in italics

August 7 (9th Sunday after Pentecost)

- Isaiah 1:1, 10-20
- Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
- Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
- Luke 12:32-40

August 14 (10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost)

- Isaiah 5:1-7
- Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
- Hebrews 11:29-12:2
- Luke 12:49-56

August 21 (11th Sunday after Pentecost)

- Jeremiah 1:4-10
- Psalms 71:1-6
- Hebrews 12:18-29
- Luke 13:10-17

August 28 (12th Sunday after Pentecost)

- Jeremiah 2:4-13
- Psalm 81:1, 10-16
- Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
- Luke 14:1, 7-14



### Board Minutes

5-June-2022

G.B. called the meeting to order. Scott had our opening prayer. Minutes were reviewed. Kay made a motion to approve the minutes and Krystal seconded the motion, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**- Bud presented copies of the Treasurer's report for the months of April and May. April had been a typical month of giving. The Disciples Mission Fund Easter Offering was the only added offering, which was in and out. May was typical as well. May did include a retroactive payment due to the change in Pastor's compensation. Operating expenses were average for both months other than the purchase of Easter supplies. Joyce made a motion to approve the report and Linda seconded, motion carried.

**Pastor's Report-** Scott wanted to thank everyone who contributed to the Pentecost offering which goes to help the Disciples of Christ support new churches and ministries. Dates for VBS have been finalized. It will start Sunday, July 10 and run nightly through Thursday, July 14 from 5:30-8:30 at Trinity Baptist Church. Volunteers are still needed.

The classes that Scott was hoping to attend in Lexington Theological Seminary have been pushed back to January so he will now be able to conduct worship services throughout the month of June. Bob Mooty will still be the guest preacher for homecoming.

Scott very much enjoyed his weekend at the Regional Assembly at the University of Lynchburg. He was there Friday and Saturday as a representative of Snow Creek. He completed boundaries training which is a requirement for ordination. He also participated in worship with members from throughout the region as well as several workshops with church leaders from across the state. He really enjoyed both the speakers and workshops. He got to meet the new minister at his old church. He said it was nice to be a guest and not be the speaker for a change. He would like to encourage others from the congregation going as reps for the church in the future. GB proposed that all of Scott's expenses for his trip to Regional Assembly be reimbursed. Joyce made a motion to reimburse Scott for those expensed and Kay seconded, motion carried.

### **Committee Reports-**

**Property**- Kay said there was still an odor in the basement where the leak was but it was not as bad as it had been. There is still a sink with a leak. GB said because of the way the pipes were connected and where they are connected if another leak occurs the parking lot asphalt will have to be busted up, and the pipes will have to be replaced. The copper is essentially corroded at the cut off valves. We will revisit this issue after homecoming.

Joyce asked if the church should look at other internet providers. There was discussion about this but no decisions at this time.

**Old Business-** For the time being sound pads will be placed against the back wall to help with the echo problem in the church. We will look at replacing the sound system with new, more up to date equipment later.

**New Business-** GB said we had 3 graduates this year, 2 high school and 1 bachelor degree. In the past, a check for \$30.00 for each graduate has been the gift from the church. There were discussions as to whether to

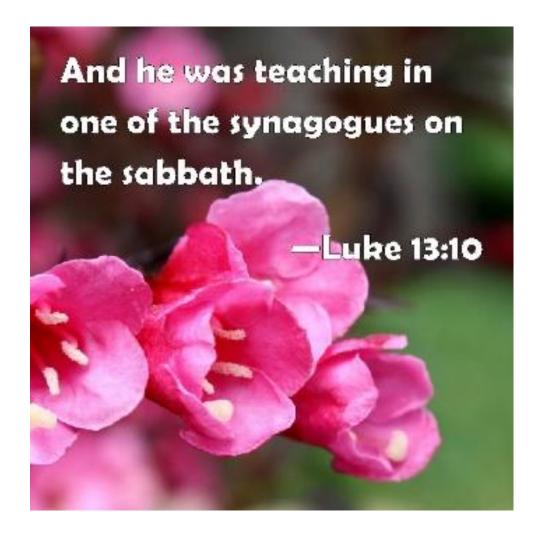
increase. The amounts discussed were \$50.00 and \$100.00. Bud made a motion to increase the gift amount to \$100.00 and Joyce seconded, motion passed,

A motion was made by Joyce to donate all the money made at the June 4th fundraiser to Mike and Amanda Price to help offset some of their expenses due to their 2-month-old son Caden's illness. The motion included a love offering the church will take up at the upcoming Homecoming event for the church. Bud seconded the motion, motion carried. The money will be put into an account that Janie Hall is setting up at the bank. The church will be ordering chicken from Kroger for homecoming. Clean up for homecoming will be on July 9 at 8:00am.

Worship-Media Fund raiser-Calendar of Events-

Bud moved to adjourn. Scott had our closing prayer. Meeting Adjourned,

Respectively Submitted, Susan Walker, Secretary





### **Backpack Special Offering**

On Sunday, August 7th we will be taking up a special offering for the backpack program that the church provides for students at Snow Creek Elementary School. As school gets ready to start again this upcoming month, this program provides at-risk students with take-home meals over the weekends. It has been a staple of the church's community outreach for years and we are very grateful for everyone's contributions and the time put in to organize and supply it. Checks for the program can be made out to Snow Creek Christian Church, but please make sure that all donations are designated as 'backpack program'. Thanks so much for your continued support of this ongoing effort.

Please continue to keep Vickie Washburn in your prayers. She has a bone bruise on her femur that will take 4-6 months to fully heal. She enjoys getting cards and her address is 145 E. Church St., Rocky Mount, VA 24151.



## Homecoming

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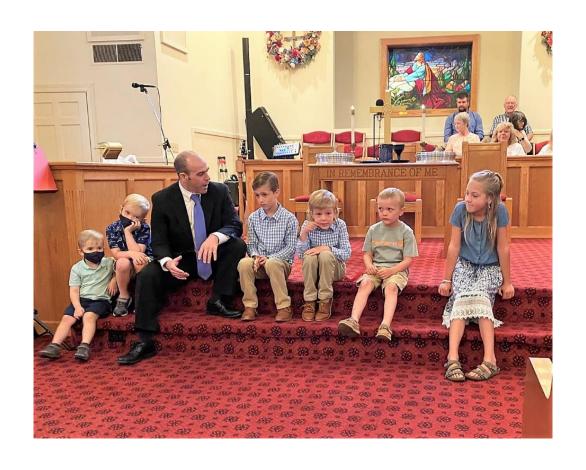
Snow Creek Christian Church celebrated the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Church on July 10<sup>th</sup> We had a large crowd in attendance (85). The guest speaker, Reverend Bob Mooty gave an inspiring message, "The Parable of the Good Samaritan". The Adult Choir, Landon Mitchell (saxophone), and the Spiritualaires provided beautiful music. Following the service, the attendees enjoyed a pot luck meal in the social hall.



Certificates of achievement awards for "service to the Lord" were presented to Susan Matherly Walker, Doug Perdue, and Janet Perdue.

Congratulations and thanks for all you do for the Church.

















## Bridal Shower for Emily & Nick

At the Snow Creek Christian Church













### **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

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- 1 Pam Doyle
- 4 Kenny Beall
- 7 Westlee Martin
- 10 Russell Tiley
- 13 Taylee Amos
- 15 Beth Oliver
- 22 Ricky Norris
- 22 Patti Amos
- 24 Dean Arrington

- 5 Bill and Beth Oliver
- 10 Ken & Michele Beall

### **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 7 Jimmy Doyle
- 7 Susan Norton
- 8 Nancy Plybon
- 9 Betty Lou Mitchell
- 9 Susan Doyle
- 9 William Stowe
- 10 Jimmy Martin
- 12 Kevin Doyle
- 14 Phillip Coppins
- 17 Michele Turner
- 24 Morgan Washburn
- 25 Leon Washburn
- 26 Jacob Washburn
- 26 Bill Oliver
- 27 Andrew "Drew" Oliver

### SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 14 Terry & Tressi Mitchell
- 19 Lee & Molly Mitchell
- 23 Dean & Jane Arrington
- 27 Eddie & Jennifer Brown

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